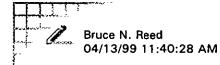
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Welfare-Welfare to Work Reauthorization



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Subject: Re: WtW and Census Funding 🖺

I agree with you on both counts. Don't cut the competitive grants -- reprogram the unused formula money. And as long as Cardin has fair warning, things will be fine. I doubt we'll get a decision this week, but it's up to Jack.



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Timing

DOL is pushing us to give legislative language to Cardin by the end of the week. I tend to agree that -- after urging Cardin to take a leading role -- we can't keep him holding any longer. If Cardin introduces the bill early next week it will be public for a week before the W&M hearing, thus giving groups and other tesifiers a chance to comment on it at the hearing.

What are the odds we'll have a decision by week's end?

Barbara Chow thinks if we don't have an overall decision on how to pay for the Census, we could go ahead, warning Labor and Cardin that we may propose a WtW budget cut later. Seems awkward but certainly less awkward than not telling anyone. Needless to say I think cutting back on the \$1 billion is very very awkward so I'd support any other possible candidates if possible.

Where to Cut

OMB's idea is to not fund any competitive grants in FY 2000, thus keeping the formula grants about the same as we proposed in the budget. We think this is a bit goofy -- we have tremendous demand for the competitive grants (over 1,400 applications of which we've only funded 126 so far), while states are saying they don't necessarily need the formula \$\$. We'd rather keep the competitive grant funds at about \$250 million and lower the formula grant amount. If, say, 10 states don't come in for formula \$\$ we could redistribute those funds to the remaining 40 states. What do you think?



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Subject: Mayor and Counties on Welfare to Work

FYI: The U.S. Conference of Mayors has sent us paper saying "reauthorization of Welfare-to-Work is essential in the FY 2000 Budget" and the LA County Board of Supervisors has written to the President urging him to include \$1.5 billion in FY 2000 for Welfare to Work as well as expanded financial support for projects which provide employment-related services to non-custodial parents of children on welfare. The letter from LA notes that LA county has more TANF recipients than any state except New York and California.

The Mayors also urge us to fund Access to Jobs welfare to work transportation at the full \$150 million in FY 2000 (currently the passback has \$75).